

COUNTY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND
Legislative Session 2022, Legislative Day No. 2

Bill No. 6-22

Mr. Izzy Patoka, Councilman

By the County Council, January 18, 2021

A BILL
ENTITLED

AN ACT concerning

Emergency Measure – Tenant Protections During a Catastrophic Health Emergency

FOR the purpose of amending the definition of an emergency; and generally relating to
residential tenant protections during a catastrophic health emergency.

BY repealing and re-enacting, with amendments

Section 35-3-401(a)(1)(ii)
Article 35 – Buildings and Housing
Title 3 – Housing in General
Subtitle 4 – Tenant Protections During a Catastrophic Health Emergency
Baltimore County Code, 2015

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.
[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.
~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from bill.
Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

1 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE
2 COUNTY, MARYLAND, that the Laws of Baltimore County read as follows:

4 ARTICLE 35 – BUILDINGS AND HOUSING

5 Title 3 – Housing in General

6 Subtitle 4 – Tenant Protections During [an] A CATASTROPHIC HEALTH Emergency

8 § 35-3-401. Definitions.

9 (a) In this subtitle, the following terms have the meanings indicated.

10 (1) “Emergency” means any of following:

11 (ii) [The] A Catastrophic Health Emergency declared by the Governor
12 [for COVID-19 on March 5, 2020,] under Section 14-3A-02 of the Public Safety Article of the
13 Annotated Code of Maryland, as amended or extended by the Governor.

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15 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that if any provisions of this Act or
16 the application of this Act to any person or circumstance is held invalid for any reason, the
17 invalidity shall not affect any other provision or any other application of this Act, and the
18 provisions of this Act are declared severable.

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20 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that this Act, having been passed by
21 the affirmative vote of five members of the County Council, is declared to be an emergency
22 measure affecting the public health, safety, or welfare and shall take effect from the date of
23 enactment, and shall be applied retroactively from January 4, 2022.